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SENATE TAKES UP DRY BILL WHILE HOUSE IS ON MINE TAX MEASURE

Terrific Debates Occupy the Time of Representatives and End in Loss of Motion to Take Up Cook Bill by Tie Vote

BUT THIS VOTE IS RECONSIDERED

Charges of Lobbying Are Hurdled Back and Forth—Tax Commission Accused. Measure Little Changed in Final Form

Unmindful of the fury which raged in the house yesterday morning, as useless on both sides as a tempest in a tea pot, the senate coolly indifferent to the subject of the mine tax legislation, and without thought that any would be enacted at this session, plunged into the consideration of the Drachman, or committee, prohibition bill.

The house had not had a hotter session, or with less reason for its being hot. There was nothing for either side to gain or lose except the showing of the failure to show a majority on a question which has become purely academic. The debates on the merits of specific mine tax legislation, whatever roll calls might show, were necessarily to be as barren of results as if those debates had taken place on any street corner in town.

Right off the bat, Mr. Graham moved the immediate and special consideration of the Cook mine tax bill in the committee of the whole. After a heated argument in which several of the members took part, the motion was defeated by a tie vote. One of the supporters of the bill was absent.

After the regular order had been only partially finished, the trouble was renewed by a motion by Mr. Newbury to reconsider the vote by which the Graham bill had been defeated. This motion was carried by a vote of 18 to 17, as follows:

Ayes: Baker, Buchanan, Christy, Doyle, Flanagan, Goodwin, Graham, Johns, Sanford, Leeper, Marlar, Merrill, Mahoney, Newbury, Orthel, Reed, Richardson, the Speaker—18.

Nays: Acuff, Austin, Berry, Briscoe, Claypool, Cook, Edwards, Farrell, Francis, Lee, Lines, McClain, Pinkley, Powers, Proctor, Sweeney, Vaughn—17.

It was the same old line-up, with the exception of Mr. Marlar, who generally throughout the day voted with the mine tax advocates. The reading of the report on the (Continued on Page Five)

SAY AUSTRIANS MEET REVERSES FROM RUSSIANS

Two Austrian Regiments Reported Wiped Out by Russian Machine Guns and Officers Say Their Loss Was Never Heavier

PETROGRAD, March 5.—Advices say the Austro-Hungarian forces have met serious reverses at the hands of the Russians recently, culminating in the re-occupation today of Stanislaw, which was evacuated a fortnight ago.

A serious battle is reported between the Masolaboretz pass in the Carpathians and the River San, where the Austrian advance is said to have been checked. In the vicinity of Salsk, midway of this line, two Austrian regiments are said to have been wiped out by Russian machine guns. Austrian officers captured during the fighting are reported to have said their losses never have been heavier.

Russians Take Prisoners LONDON, March 5.—The Petrograd correspondent of Reuters sends the following dispatch: "It is announced that during the operation (Continued on Page Three)

Bucking Broncho Becomes An Added Horror Of War

PENDLETON, Ore., March 5.—Cyrus Noble has been added to the horrors of war. The population of Eastern Oregon, which has been reading of shells which turn the Germans green or scatter liquid fire on the allies are awaiting tensely the advent of Cyrus Noble into the theater of war.

Cyrus Noble is one of the most famous bucking bronchos that ever tried

ARIZONIANS KILLED IN SANTA FE WRECK

EL SINORE, March 5.—Derailed at a "Y" switch of junction crossing the rear coach of a mixed train on the Santa Fe branch line broke a coupling two miles east of here and tumbled off a trestle twenty feet into the San Jacinto River. Edward Branick of Los Angeles, was killed, and W. H. Haynes of Temecula, conductor, was fatally injured. Twelve other passengers, men and women were more or less seriously injured. Twelve other passengers, men and women, were more or less seriously injured. Among the seriously injured were John Hickey of Kingman, and Mrs. Plummer of Jerome. As the San Jacinto River is little more than a dry bed, the injured, which included everybody on the car, were in no danger of drowning. Others more seriously hurt were Major F. J. Bell of Goldfield; Mrs. N. E. Miller, Highmore, S. D., and J. S. Hendry of New York.

Evacuation Of Mexico City Move Against Villa

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

EL PASO, March 5.—The purpose of Obregon's contemplated evacuation of Mexico City is to launch a campaign against the Villa forces in the north, according to persons arriving from the interior.

These passengers from the south described conditions in and about the capital as chaotic. Almost all the portable property of value, they said, has been confiscated by Obregon's troops. Smallpox has broken out in Vera Cruz, it is said, where the water supply is cut off.

From the same source it was learned that large quantities of ammunition have been received by the Carranza forces, which is said to have been secured from the Central and South American countries by the way of Havana.

Former Senator Thomas R. Bard Suddenly Called

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

LOS ANGELES, March 5.—Thomas R. Bard, former United States senator from California, died at his home at Hueneme. He passed away while sleeping, after a heart attack with which he was stricken last night. He was 74 years old. Since his retirement from congress ten years ago he has been more or less afflicted with cardiac trouble. He possessed large areas of land in Ventura county.

Last night Mr. Bard was unable to rest and in the morning the family physician was called. Restoratives seemed to have the desired effect and the doctor told Bard to remain in bed all day. Before noon he fell into a deep slumber and at 2 o'clock he was dead. Mrs. Bard and their two daughters were with him when death came. Bard, a republican, was the candidate for the United States senate who finally managed to break a deadlock in the democratic legislature, which began during the session of 1899 and was not ended until a special session was called the following year. He served as senator until March 4, 1905.

THE WEATHER TODAY WASHINGTON, D. C., March 5.—For Arizona: Fair.

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PARDON BOARD SUSPENDS FINAL ACTION PENDING COURT DECISION

Although more than half a hundred applications for pardon have been filed with the new parole board, no final action will be taken on any of them until some decision has been rendered by the supreme court as to the status of the law ratified at the last election. This announcement was made yesterday by members of the board,

who expressed themselves as well satisfied at the prospect of a supreme court decision before March 19, the date set for the execution of the five condemned men at Florence.

Chairman Frank P. Trott and Professor C. O. Case, members of the board, who returned yesterday after a two-day session at Florence, announced that the entire board will meet March 15 to resume consideration of the cases of the five men sentenced to hang this month, and may take some action at that time, depending on what decision has been reached in the courts. Attorney General Wiley E. Jones did not attend the board meeting, having been detained here on legal business.

The action of Knox Laird, granted an unconditional pardon by the governor, in applying for his dismissal on a writ of habeas corpus, was a move welcomed by members of the board on the ground that it cleared the way for action in these important cases definitely fixed. Although the governor has never officially said (Continued on Page Three)

OBREGON HALTS RELIEF EFFORT IN MEXICO CITY

President Confronted With One of the Most Serious and Perplexing Developments Ever Arisen in the Mexican Situation

MEXICO NEEDS NO FOREIGN AID

This is Message General Obregon is Credited With Having Sent International Relief Committee Who Offer Succor

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

WASHINGTON, March 5.—President Wilson is confronted with one of the most serious and perplexing developments that has ever arisen in the Mexican situation. Mexico City is on the verge of starvation. General Obregon, the Carranza commander, refuses to permit the international relief committee, composed of wealthy members of the foreign colony, to succor the needy.

"Mexico needs no foreign aid," the general is reported to have said. All merchants who closed their stores have been ordered to reopen them under threat of punishment. About 300 of them, all Mexicans, have been imprisoned. The people of the city are living in terror of another evacuation, since Obregon announced he will not prevent looting or pillaging for food or money.

Secretary Bryan announced he had sent an urgent telegram to Consul Silliman with instructions to lay the situation earnestly before Carranza, so that Obregon will be directed to accept the proffered aid of foreign residents.

Freight service is suspended between Mexico City and Vera Cruz. Transportation facilities for relief purposes are withheld by Obregon on the ground of military necessity. Talk of an allied expedition similar to the one that went to the relief of the foreign legations in Peking during the Boxer uprising are again heard in official quarters, where it is generally admitted a grave condition of affairs has arisen. Tonight the president reported he is studying the various phases of the question closely.

The Brazilian, British, Spanish and Italian ambassadors called separately at the state department, bringing pessimistic reports of the situation which corresponded to reports already received by the American government. The foreign diplomats suggested no solution. The president was advised of all the facts late today as revealed in the official messages and reports from the foreign ambassadors. Should Obregon continue to refuse outside aid, drastic measures might be necessary in the view of all foreign diplomats.

The situation was described by them as more intolerable than ever before since the revolutionary troubles began in the southern republic. For the present the outcome of telegraphic correspondence with Carranza will be awaited. Hitherto he has been reported as standing by all the activities of Obregon, whose purpose, according to official reports, seems to be to force the lower classes to enlist in the Carranza army or starve. All sorts of wild rumors are afloat in Mexico City due to the incendiary utterances of Obregon, who in newspaper interviews has practically sanctioned plunder for food.

Carranza has been asked by the American government to instruct Obregon to take some measures to protect the lives and property of foreigners in the event of evacuation. The people fear the water supply will be shut off and the electric light (Continued on Page Seven)

Real Issue In Today's Primary Is the Form of Government

Candidates for election to two places on the city commission will be nominated at the city primary to be held today. The names of Clinton Campbell, George N. MacBean and O. T. Richey will appear, printed on the primary ballot. The primary may result in the election of two of the candidates, for under the charter a candidate receiving a majority of all the votes cast shall be declared elected.

There is more at stake today than the election of any man to office. The issue is really the commission-manager form of government as it is conducted under the present charter, and, in the opinion of The Republican, the qualifications of the candidates should be determined by the voters on their views on this question.

Messrs. Campbell and Richey have explicitly stated that they are in favor of the present commission-manager form, and that, if elected, they will use their efforts to see that this form is given a fair and thorough trial. They pledge themselves to abstain as members of the commission from attempting to change the present form until it has been given a trial of at least one year.

Mr. MacBean, we understand, has stated his opposition to the present form of government, and has declared himself to be in favor of a proposed amendment to the charter, giving the commission power, by a majority vote, to remove the manager with or without cause.

Recognizing, therefore, the real issue before the voters, The Republican is supporting Messrs. Campbell and Richey, and it urges all who favor this form of government as the most business-like, and who desire a continuance of it, to vote today for these gentlemen. Both have good public and private records.

Another candidate has been put forward, against his desire, by many citizens. He is F. A. Jones, chairman of the state corporation commission; but, through an error, his nomination papers were held to be defective and his name does not appear on the printed ballot. It would, therefore, have to be written in today.

We are aware of the splendid qualifications of Mr. Jones for the office of city commissioner. He is without a superior in the state in the training desirable for this office. The Republican earnestly supported Mr. Jones last fall for the office of corporation commissioner, and would as earnestly support him for the office of city commissioner. But the necessity of writing in his name upon the primary ballot at an election where many hundreds of votes will be cast, precludes the possibility of his choice as a candidate.

We therefore urge the friends of advanced government to concentrate their efforts in behalf of Messrs. Campbell and Richey.

RUSSIANS ARE ON OFFENSIVE ON WHOLE LINE

Except in Central Beskid Pass in the Carpathians, Where Austrian Attacks Moderate—Russians Are Fighting Desperately

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

LONDON, March 5.—The Russians are on the offensive the entire length of the line from the Baltic Sea to the Rumanian border except in Central Beskid Pass in the Carpathians where the fierce Austrian attacks have some what moderated. Apparently the Russians have definitely disposed of the German and Austrian attempts to outflank their two extreme wings and have turned, making slow, steady progress westward. After retiring to the Dniester River the Russians again crossed into Bukovina and it is officially reported they are back in Czernowitz. Further west the Russians again hold Stanislaw and have crossed Lukva River, a forward step which military critics will compel the Austrians to probably evacuate Bukovina.

In northern Poland the Russians are advancing slowly westward from the Niemen River and the Germans are fighting a rear guard action. Only against the fortress Ossowetz is the German attack being seriously pressed. The British military critics say the Germans cannot remain long with their armies retreating on both sides. To the south of Berlin says the Germans have evacuated Mysynire on the East Prussian border. Further west near Mlava the Germans are believed actually to have crossed the border after a defeat at Przasnysz. The Russians also show revived activity in Central Poland.

They attacked the Germans east of Plock and near Skiermiewice, southwest of Warsaw. In the Beskid, Tulkolka and Tzook passes the Austro-Germans hold strong positions whence they are continually attacking the Russians. In the western passes, particularly the Dukla, the Russians are on the Hungarian slopes where the fighting has degenerated into a trench warfare. The Russians are sending large reinforcements to this southern line. In the western theater the Anglo-French armies are doing most of the attacking without apparent progress. The sinking of the German submarine U-8 was officially announced and makes the fourth of these vessels sunk. The others are U-15 and the U-18 and one rammed by the destroyer Badger off the Belgian coast. It is believed a French destroyer also sank one and captains of two British merchantmen are claiming prizes offered for the first merchant captured—count for German submarine. It is an axiom of the naval operations of the Dardanelles.

M'ELROY WINS RACE TO MOTHER'S BEDSIDE

(Special to The Republican) PHILADELPHIA, March 5.—Charles J. McElroy, a prominent businessman of Phoenix, arrived tonight after a hurried trip across the continent in order to be present at the bedside of his mother, who was very ill. His effort was not wasted, and he found Mrs. McElroy alive when he arrived.

Believe Bank Robbers In Toils After Four Years

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

CHICAGO, March 5.—Two men suspected of being members of a gang of five who robbed the branch Bank of Montreal at New Westminster in 1911 of \$217,000, were arrested tonight. The arrests were the result of a chase lasting several months, and extending over many miles. A woman whose identity the police refuse to make known was also arrested in connection with the robbery, but was afterwards released. The men are George Webster and John Bingham, the latter being, the police say, a former inmate of the penitentiary. The arrests were made, it is said, after the men twice tried to change Canadian money into United States currency at a local bank.

DISCUSS RAILROADS' CREDITS AND OBTAINING NEW CAPITAL

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

CHICAGO, March 5.—Credits of the railroads, as influencing their ability to obtain new capital, were discussed before Interstate Commerce Commissioner Daniels in the petition of forty-one western railroads for permission to increase their freight rates. F. J. Wade, banker of St. Louis, testified that owing to their poor earnings, the western railroads were unable to obtain money except at high rates of interest out of proportion to that asked from industrial corporations. Wade said he attributed the financial depression the railroads are suffering to attacks by the state railway commissions in reducing the railroads revenue, to onerous acts of state legislatures, and to wild and extravagant charges against the railroads. "Don't you think it is rather mismanagement and selling blue sky and water that has hurt the roads more than the state commissions?" asked Everett Jennings, counsel for the Illinois public utilities commission. "It's just such wild statements as you have made that has hurt their

IDEAL RACE WEATHER TO GREET VANDY

World's Fastest Drivers Entered in Three Hundred Mile Grind on Exposition Course at San Francisco Today

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

SAN FRANCISCO, March 5.—Earl Cooper is seriously ill of pneumonia and will not be in the Vanderbilt cup race tomorrow. The track is in perfect condition and perfect weather is forecasted. Thirty-one entrants are listed to make the start. Cooper contracted pneumonia during the Grand Prix which was run under execrable weather conditions last Saturday over the Panama-Pacific Exposition course. Harry Grant, twice winner of the Vanderbilt cup, will drive Cooper's car, No. 8. Grant first won the Vanderbilt cup at Long Island with the same number. When he won the cup (Continued on Page Two)

Another Cotton Carrying Ship Arrested By British

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

BOSTON, March 5.—The steamer Pacific, carrying cotton from Galveston for Rotterdam, has been held up by a British warship and taken to Deal, according to a message received by the Emery Steamship company, owners of the vessel. Wade said he attributed the financial depression the railroads are suffering to attacks by the state railway commissions in reducing the railroads revenue, to onerous acts of state legislatures, and to wild and extravagant charges against the railroads. "Don't you think it is rather mismanagement and selling blue sky and water that has hurt the roads more than the state commissions?" asked Everett Jennings, counsel for the Illinois public utilities commission. "It's just such wild statements as you have made that has hurt their

GET TOGETHER PAVE NOW MEET AT FIVE POINTS

Property Owners and City Manager Discuss Cost of Proposed Improvements and Best Way to Obtain Them

VAN BUREN STREET PETITION AMENDED

Fourth Avenue to Five Points to Be Improved Under New Plans—People Willing to Pay for New Paving

Paving costs were discussed, plans for the improvement of Van Buren street from Fourth avenue to Five Points greatly advanced, and The Republican's "pave-now" movement given additional impetus at an informal get-together meeting of property owners and City Manager Farish at the West-side firehouse last evening. That the people of Five Points want paved streets, are willing to pay for them, and that the city manager stands ready to further the desires of the majority of the property owners were facts that were repeatedly brought out and emphasized. Although the Van Buren street project was the only one on which definite action was taken, a better understanding of the paving situation and the attitude of the city by property owners was perhaps the most important outcome of the meeting.

Approximately seventy-five property owners of Five Points and vicinity, were in attendance when L. L. Steward, cashier of the Citizens' State bank, called the meeting to order, and stated that the city manager was present to answer questions regarding paving matters, and asked for an expression of the will of the meeting. Manager Farish being called for, outlined the situation, and told of paving costs and types of construction. He said that a thirty-five-foot pavement on Van Buren street with a four-inch concrete base and a two-inch bitulithic wearing surface could, he had been informed, be put in at a cost of approximately \$1.90 per square yard. This, he emphasized, was but a rough estimate, and did not include curbing and gutter costs, or the expense of changing irrigating ditches or paving intersections. A storm sewer, the city manager said, could be installed later on and need not be put in at this time, as (Continued on Page Three)

FULL TEXT OF GERMAN REPLY SENT TO PAGE

Washington Officials Assume Great Britain's Reply is Being Delayed to Include Allies' View on German Communication

[ASSOCIATED PRESS DISPATCH]

WASHINGTON, March 5.—Secretary Bryan called Ambassador Page at London the full text of the German reply to the American proposals regarding the German war zone proclamation, and the exemption of food destined for the civil population of Germany from seizure by the British fleet. Officials here assume that Great Britain's reply is being delayed in order to include the view of England and the allies on the German communication. Pending the receipt of some further word from London, Secretary Bryan said there is nothing in the neutral shipment situation which he cared to discuss.

Ambassador Page has been instructed to make representations with regard to American vessels with cargoes for Germany which have been (Continued on Page Five)

veston on February 7 for Rotterdam with 14,500 bales of cotton. She was last reported at Falmouth, three days ago, a cable message to her agents here reporting all well. She was towed under the supervision of customs officials from this port, and her hatches were sealed by them. The Pacific is a new vessel built in 1914 for the Panama canal trade in an American ship yard for an American owner.